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SUBJECT: OECD MINISTERIAL COUNCIL: STATEMENT BY DEPUTY

UNDERSECRETARY

OF LABOR SEGALL ON QUALITATIVE ASPECTS OF ECONOMIC GROWTH,  
JUNE 7.

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF STATEMENT MADE ON JUNE 7 BY DEPUTY  
UNDERSECRETARY OF LABOR SEGALL TO ANNUAL OECD MINISTERIAL  
COUNCIL ON AGENDA ITEM 2. C: WORK ON QUALITATIVE ASPECTS OF  
ECONOMIC GROWTH.

2. BEGIN TEXT.

MR. CHAIRMAN:

THREE YEARS AGO, THE MINISTERS HERE DIRECTED ATTENTION  
TO THE QUALITATIVE ASPECTS OF ECONOMIC GROWTH. THAT WAS A  
WISE ACTION; FOR IT HAS BECOME INCREASINGLY APPARENT THAT  
WE FACT THE CHALLENGE OF ACHIEVING A FULLER UNDERSTANDING  
OF THE IMPACT OF PUBLIC POLICY ON THE WELL- BEING OF THE  
INDIVIDUAL. OUR PUBLIC POLICIES MUST BE DESIGNED IN LIGHT  
OF THAT FULLER UNDERSTANDING AND WE MUST FIND WAYS OF  
MEASURING OUR SUCCESS -- AND OUR SHORTCOMINGS.

THIS CONCERN IS REFLECTED CLEARLY IN THE PROGRAM TO  
DEVELOP SOCIAL INDICATORS, ONE OF THE MOST AMBITIOUS  
ACTIVITIES OF THE OECD, WITH POTENTIAL IMPLICATIONS OF  
GREAT IMPORTANCE FOR THE WORK OF THE OECD AND FOR PUBLIC POLICY.

FOR US IN THE US THIS IS A PARTICULARLY TIMELY EXERCISE,  
BECAUSE IT HAS BEEN UNDERTAKEN IN CLOSE PARALLEL WITH  
OUR WON DOMESTIC DEVELOPMENT OF SOCIAL INDICATORS. OUR  
PROGRAM, THE FIRST RESULTS OF WHICH ARE SOON TO BE PUBLISHED,  
WILL BE THE BETTER BECAUSE OF THE EXCHANGES IN THE OECD  
WORKING PARTY. WE TRUST OTHER MEMBER COUNTRIES ARE BENEFITING  
SIMILARLY.

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WE DON' T REALLY KNOW HOW SUCCESSFUL THE SOCIAL INDICATORS  
DEVELOPMENT IN THE OECD AND IN MEMBER COUNTRIES WILL BE --  
WHETHER WE WILL IN FACT ACHIEVE A USEFUL, SYSTEMATIC FRAMEWORK  
OF QUANTITATIVE MEASURES TO GUIDE OUR POLICY  
DECISIONS. BUT WE DO KNOW THAT THE EFFORT HAS ALREADY

HELPED TO FOCUS OUR ATTENTIONS IN A MORE ORDERLY WAY ON  
MAJOR AREAS OF SOCIAL CONCERN.

WE WOULD LIKE TO HIGHLIGHT ONE SPECIFIC AREA OF OECD  
ACTIVITY CONCERNING THE QUALITY OF LIFE THAT SEEMS TO US  
PARTICULARLY PROMISING -- THAT IS THE WORK OF THE ORGANI-  
ZATION ON ENVIRONMENTAL POLICIES.

THIS IS AN AREA IN WHICH INTERNATIONAL INTERACTION IS  
OBVIOUS AND IMPORTANT. WE KNOW THAT POLLUTION DOES NOT  
STOP AT THE FRONTIER AND WE KNOW THAT NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL  
POLICIES CAN DISTORT TRADE PATTERNS. HERE, TOO, THE OECD  
HAS DONE PIONERRING WORK THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF OECD ON THE  
CONTROL OF TOXIC SUBSTANCES AND ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE  
GUIDING PRINCIPLES INDICATE THE HIGH LEVEL OF COOPERATION  
MADE POSSIBLE BY THIS ORGANIZATION. BY THOSE ACHIEVEMENTS  
WE HAVE HELPED BRING ATTENTION TO THE NEED FOR PROTECTIVE  
GOVERNMENTAL POLICIES WHILE AVOIDING DIFFICULTIES THAT MIGHT  
HAVE RESULTED FOR INTERNATIONAL TRADE.

MR. CHAIRMAN, THE INDENTIFICATION OF FUNDAMENTAL SOCIAL  
CONCERNS COMMON TO MOST MEMBER COUNTRIES MARKS A SIGNIFICANT  
FIRST STEP IN THE EFFORT TO DEVELOP POLICIES WHICH TAKE  
EXPLICITLY INTO ACCOUNT CHANGES IN THE QUALITY OF LIFE. AS  
ECONOMIC GROWTH CONTINUES TO IMPROVE THE ECONOMIC WELL- BEING  
OF MEMBER COUNTRIES, IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE QUALITATIVE  
ASPECT OF GROWTH WILL EMERGE AS A FACTOR OF INCREASING  
IMPORTANCE. CONSEQUENTLY, WE NOTE WITH APPROVAL THE PROGRESS  
BEING MADE BY THE OECD AND URGE THAT THIS IMPORTANT WORK BE  
CONTINUED AND INTENSIFIED.

END TEXT. CASEY

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